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CHINESE GOVERNMENT TROOPS CLAIM CAPTURE OF HWAHSIEN

MEAD NOT TO BE RETAINED!

NEW SENSATION IN CRICKET CIRCLE

BRILLIANT RECORD

London, To-day.

It is announced that Hampshire County Cricket Club will not be retaining Philip Mead in 1937, but, in view of the excellent services to the County, the Club have decided to pay his wages until September. — Reuter.

It will be recalled that the Kent County Cricket Club authorities recently announced that they had decided to dispense with the services of A. P. (Tich) Freeman, who had for many years been the mainstay of their attack.

C. P. Mead, who is in his forty-ninth year, has been playing for Hampshire for many years. A fine left-handed bat, he played in seven Tests against the Australians and in 1921 scored 182 not out at the Oval.

Mead was Hampshire's most successful batsman last season and played in practically every match. His figures were 55 innings, 12 times not out, total 1,650 runs, 151 not out, highest score, and an average of 33.37.

In the 1921 season he aggregated 3,179 runs and in 1928 he totalled 3,027 runs. In June 1921, he scored 1,159 runs with a highest score of 280 not out, while in July, 1923, he hit up 1,043 with a highest score of 222. In all, he has hit 151 centuries in first class cricket, a feat bettered by only Jack Hobbs (197) and Herbert Sutcliffe (156).

AUSTRALIA ALL OUT FOR 80!

DON BRADMAN DISMISSED FIRST BALL

VOCE'S BRILLIANT BOWLING

Sydney, To-day.

Dismissed for a paltry 58 runs when set 381 to win in the first Test at Brisbane, Australia again failed badly to-day when they were dismissed for 80 runs before lunch in reply to England's total of 426 for 6 declared in the second Test match, which opened here last Friday. England won the first Test by 322 runs.

In one spell this morning Voce took the wickets of O'Brien, Don Bradman, McCabe and Fingleton for 8 runs!

Fingleton left soon after lunch, Verity accepting a catch at point off Voce, 28-5-12. He had batted stolidly for 55 minutes.

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Scores:

ENGLAND
Barnett, b Ward 57
Fay, c Stevens, b McCormick 11
Hammond, not out 231
Leyland, bvo, b McCabe 42
Amer, c Robinson, b Ward 23
G. O. Allen, bvo, b O'Reilly 9
Hardstaff, b McCormick 25
Verity, not out 21
Extras 21

Total (for 6 wkt, dec) 426
Fall of the wicket: 1. (Fay) for 27; 2 (Barnett) for 118; 3 (Leyland) for 247; 4 (Amer) for 351; 5 (Allen) for 383; 6 (Hardstaff) for 424.

R. W. V. Hobson, Sims and Voce did not bat.

Twelfth man—F. Robinson.

Bowling Analysis:

O. M. R. W.

MADRID COMMAND READY FOR ALL EVENTUALITIES

CONFlicting REPORTS OF FIGHTING

GOVERNMENT SUCCESSES CLAIMED

London, To-day.

Conflicting reports regarding the fighting in West Madrid come from the opposing sides. The Madrid Defence Council, in a communiqué, claims to have repulsed fierce insurgent attacks preceded by intense artillery bombardment and also claims to have made an important advance on the Burgos front, where the communiqué says, that the Government troops have cut the roads connecting the Northern Army with its supply base.

An insurgent communiqué, on the other hand, claims that a big attack was made on the Madrid front near Villanueva and the surrounding villages, all of which were occupied after a fierce fight.

Paris: A message from Madrid states that the insurgents are heavily reinforcing the Madrid front, where the big offensive is expected before the New Year. The message, however, adds that the Madrid Command is ready for all eventualities. — Reuter.

LORD PEEL NARROWLY ESCAPES CAPTURE

Arab Bandits Ambush Convoy

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Jerusalem, To-day.

Lord Peel, leader of the British Commission of Investigation in Palestine, narrowly escaped capture when bandits ambushed and plundered a convoy of five cars 10 miles outside of Jericho. — Trans-Ocean Service.

Salamanca: The rainy and cold weather which during the last few weeks had seriously hampered the offensive of the Nationalist forces on the Madrid front has at last ended in the Nationalist army being able to resume an intensive bombardment of the Red positions.

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Shortage Of Food Supplies

Salamanca: The Provisioning Board of Barcelona has been ordered by the Catalan Government to cut down the rations supplied to the population in view of the increasing shortage of food-stuffs.

The Red Government, moreover, has decided to enlarge the existing concentration camps and prepare new ones since all the available prisons are no longer proving sufficient to receive the ever-increasing number of prisoners sentenced to confinement by the People's Court. — Trans-Ocean Service.

CRICKET MATCH MISHAP

Ball-Boy Hit Over Eye In Next Ground

A very distressing accident took place during the cricket match at King's Park yesterday afternoon between Paymaster Lt Comdr. Nicholson's XI and the Hon. G. R. Clegg-Hill's XI.

Sgt.-Lt. Kirkwood was batting for the former side and hit a ball from Lt. Murphy over the screen into the German Club tennis courts hitting a Chinese ball-boy over the right eye. The codie, who was semi-conscious, was attended by Sgt. Lt. Davenport and Surg.-Lt. Kirkwood himself and was subsequently removed to the Kowloon Hospital. He was, however, discharged later in the evening.

Details of the match will be found on Page 2.

STOP PRESS

TEST MATCH

Sydney, To-day. — Australia were 62 for 1 at the tea interval after following on 345 runs in excess.



President Franklin D. Roosevelt, his wife, and his son are shown on the porch of their Hyde Park, New York, home just after the President had been notified of his sweeping victory over his Republican opponent, Governor Alfred Landon of Kansas.

GIBRALTAR SENSATION SPANIARD THREATENS TO MURDER MODERN SCARLET PIMPERNEL

Gibraltar, To-day. — A sensation was caused here yesterday by the arrest, in a crowded hotel, of a well-dressed Spaniard who was interviewing the Englishman, Grice Hutchinson, known as the "modern Scarlet Pimpernel."

"The Spaniard threatened to murder me," said Mr. Hutchinson, when interviewed by Reuter. It is understood that the man will be charged with trying to blackmail Mr. Hutchinson. A detective listened from an adjacent room to the interview. — Reuter.

A message from London, dated October 31, was to the effect that a modern "Scarlet Pimpernel," who rescued at least 50 men, women and children from Spain, had been arrested by the Communists at Malaga. He is an Englishman named Grice-Hutchinson, who exploited the transporting of prisoners in a tiny 8-ton yacht, the Honey-bee, from Malaga to Gibraltar.

It is learned that Mr. Hutchinson will, at the same time, request Mr. Chang to renew the negotiations regarding the crisis in China.

It is learned that Mr. Kawagoe will, at the same time, request Mr. Chang to renew the negotiations regarding the Sino-Japanese relations. — Our Own Correspondent.

Innocent Citizens Killed

Canton: Hearing that the rebels in Sian had set fire to many houses and killed many innocent citizens in the city last week, the Attorney-General in Nanking has been instructed to investigate the matter and to make out a criminal case against the rebels concerned. — Our Own Correspondent.

Inter-American Peace Conference

Buenos Aires, To-day. — Great progress has been made at the Inter-American Peace Conference towards obtaining the desired unity and co-operation between the republics in North and South America, though the desire of the United States, to get the American continent pledged to absolute neutrality in the event of conflict outside its borders has not been fulfilled.

Although the plans for a Pan-American League of Nations have been referred to the Washington Committee for study, it is generally disapproved by the delegates here. The labour of the Committee are now finished—there will be a plenary sitting to-morrow, while the closing ceremony will be held on Wednesday.

The decisions taken during the last 24 hours reveal that while the unanimity of the republics favouring exclusively the Ameri-

can Conventions, Argentina on the other hand, while loyally adhering to the Pan-American Conference, regards the present conference as the basis for universal peace.

A message from Mexico states that at least 220 were killed and many hundreds injured in an earthquake in San Salvador which followed a volcanic eruption.

In addition considerable damage was done at San Vicente, five villages being completely destroyed. — Reuter.

TYPHOON WARNING

A message received by the American Consulate-General at 9:30 a.m. from the Manila Observatory states that a typhoon is situated in about 125 deg. Longitude East and 4 deg. Latitude North, moving West.

This typhoon is about 28 miles south-west of Cebu, Philippines Islands.

MR. T. V. SOONG IN SIANFU

OVERSEAS CHINESE HOLD CONFERENCE GENERALISSIMO STILL CAPTIVE

Shanghai, To-day.

Following the resumption of hostilities against the Shensi rebels, the Chinese Government troops claim that they have captured Hwahsien, 50 miles to the east of Sianfu.

Mr. T. V. Soong has arrived in Sianfu in an attempt to secure the release of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

Berlin: The Chinese Ambassador to Berlin, Dr. Cheng Tien-fong, has gone to Frankfort-on-Main to meet Mr. Wang Ching-wei. It is understood that they will then go on to Paris for the meeting of the Chinese Mission Chiefs to discuss the situation in China. — Reuter.

Military Operations Still Delayed

Shanghai, To-day.

The situation in Sian remains unchanged and Mr. T. V. Soong is remaining there with the Generalissimo.

The punitive expedition is closing the ring round the rebels, and, as reported previously, the Government troops have occupied Hwahsien, 50 miles to the east of Suyuan.

It is understood that the acceleration of the military operations has been postponed for a further 48 hours in the hope that the Generalissimo may be released in the meantime. — Reuter.

RED REVOLUTION

Marseilles Communists Prepare

ALARMING REPORT

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.

That Marseilles Communists have prepared regular mobilisation plans in the event of a Red revolution, is the sensational assertion reported by the newspaper *Le Jour*, which declares that the plans provide for the arming of 100,000 Red workers.

The article points out that this figure is probably not exaggerated, since no fewer than 180,000 foreigners are resident in Marseilles and Communists have already accumulated large stores of machine-guns, hand-grenades and ammunition, while specially formed "Shock Brigades" are undergoing regular training, under warlike conditions every Sunday in the environs of Marseilles. — Trans-Ocean Service.

SAN SALVADOR EARTHQUAKE

Considerable Damage Reported

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ENGLAND ALL SET
FOR VICTORY

(Continued from Page 2)

At the moment England appears to be well on top, and unless something very phenomenal happens, should register their second win to put themselves in a very strong position for winning the rubber.

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There was a full programme of friendly matches in the Colony last Saturday. Kowloon Cricket Club and the Army had a most interesting match, at the K.C.C. when the latter's tail-enders just managed to play out time. One of the features of the game was the fine display of Kenneth Baxter, who performed very creditably in his first match for the champions' senior eleven to compile 39, after such batsmen as Anderson and Teddy Fincher had failed.

* * *

Civil Service scored a win over the Navy, thanks to a contribution of 53 by J. E. Richardson and Craengower did very well to dispose of the Club. Zimmerman appears to have found his best form and found the boundary on no less than ten occasions in compiling 53. Duckitt bowled well for the losers and secured 7 wickets for only 38 runs.

* * *

Civil Service juniors were well and truly beaten by the Diocesan Boys' School who passed their score with eight wickets in hand. F. Lay, a most promising right-handed batsman who bowls left, ed excellent analyses.



V. Costa, above, gave a grand display against the Club last Saturday in the left-back position and considerably enhanced his prospects for an Interport trial.

scored 95.

Another school team to perform with credit was the Central British. In an exciting finish, the Navy were one run behind with only two wickets to fall. Mulcahy retired with 78 runs, whilst Hoggard obtained 6 Navy wickets for 33.

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Leonard made his first big score of the season, against the Club seconds, and was largely responsible, with Irmane, for Craengower's win.

The Police trounced Queen's College while Recreis disposed of the I.R.C. juniors in a low-scoring match, chiefly featured by some good bowling feats. Gosso, 6 for 15 and Baker 6 for 17 returned excellent analyses.

HUNGARY'S TABLE
TENNIS WIN

But Szabados Is
Defeated

BRILLIANT LEFT-HANDERS
IN LONG DUEL

London, November 20. In the first of five Table Tennis matches between the countries Hungary beat England at the Memorial Hall, Farringdon-street, London, last night, by eight events to one.

The only English victory was gained by A. A. Haydon, who, in the last match, beat M. Szabados by two games to one. Two vital points were lost by the Hungarian when the score was 19 all in the deciding game by overhitting.

Szabados won his two other matches. He beat M. R. W. Bergi by two games to one and S. Proffitt by two to none.

In a duel between two of the most brilliant left-handers in the world L. Bellak beat Haydon by 21-14, 22-20, after some very hard hitting.

Results:

M. Szabados (Hungary) bt M. R. W. Bergi (Harrow, Eng.), 21-16,

18-21, 21-12; bt S. Proffitt (London, Eng.), 21-16, 21-16; lost to A. A. Haydon (Birmingham, Eng.), 13-21,

21-13, 19-21.

L. Bellak (Hungary) bt Haydon, 21-14,

22-20; bt Proffitt, 16-21, 21-8,

21-9; bt Bergi, 22-20, 20-22,

21-19.

G. V. Kara (Hungary) bt Proffitt,

13-21, 21-8, 21-17; bt Bergi,

21-11, 21-16; bt Haydon, 21-17,

25-23.

LAST SATURDAY'S "VERDICTS"

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early goal which acted as a stimulus to their efforts, although they were on the defensive for the whole of the second half, their quick tackling and magnificent spelling giving Henry Yeung, Chan Tak-fai and Cheuk Shek-kam little opportunity for steady before a shot at goal.

Still Brilliant Player

Cheng Shui-hong, who gave Hong Kong their first victory in the Interport series in Shanghai in the November 1932 Interport match, is an invaluable acquisition to Eastern, and is still one of the finest forwards in the Colony, despite the fact that he deserted South China "A's" ranks for a junior Club! He may yet get a "stab" at the Interport trials. South China were best served by Yeung Shui-yick, on the right-wing, and Lam Tak-po, their centre-half.

Recovering!

The Police, following their success in the Senior Shield, seemed to have regained some of their former glory and last Saturday managed to hold the Athletic to a draw, sharing two goals in a very mediocre encounter, which was featured by clever combination on the part of the Police forwards, although Bone, at left-back, was their individual star turn.

Fair Again

The Rifles, following their defeat at the hands of South China "A" in the Second Round of the Senior Shield, failed to impress against the Fusiliers and had to be content with one point from a goalless draw.

Bitter Humiliation

The Club, continuing their experimental methods when other teams in the first division have settled down, suffered a bitter humiliation at the hands of St. Joseph's last Saturday. It was not the fact that they were the weaker team, on the contrary, but their sensational positional changes could not possibly have achieved anything else but disaster.

First Chinese Goal

The Chinese worked hard for their first goal, which came from Lai Shiu-wing from an opening by Chan Tak-fai. The Army, however, went further ahead when a kick by Talbot saw the ball sail over its intended mark, hit the

LONDON DIVING
CLUB WILL BE
BROKEN UP

Move To Stimulate
Interest

EACH SECTION WILL BE
SEPARATE BODY

(By "THE TWELFTH MAN")

London, November 19.

The London Diving Club, which holds such a prominent and powerful position in the sport, is to be "broken up" and for the good of divers. That in substance would be the outcome of a proposal to be made at the annual general meeting of the club at Marshall Street Baths on November 30.

The proposal is that as soon as practicable—and certainly not later than the end of next year—the sections of the L.D.C. at Battersea, Croydon, Harrow, Ilford, Mitcham, Stoke Newington, and West Ham shall each govern themselves and affiliate separately to the Southern Counties A.S.A.

Mr. Gregory Matveief, the hon. secretary of the London Diving Club, who is to introduce this rather revolutionary proposal, tells me that the move is being made to stimulate competition among divers and arouse more local enthusiasm.

Keener Rivalry

As sections of one club the various centres cannot compete against each other, but with isolation the rivalry could be very keen.

The membership of the L.D.C. is about four hundred, with Croydon, West Ham and Ilford as the strongest sections. An opponent to Mr. Matveief's proposal is of the opinion that although these three sections might be able to carry on, the others would not. This, of course, would not be in the best interests of the sport.

Distributing Trophies

Mr. Matveief's proposal makes provision for an allowance from the general funds of the L.D.C. and for the distribution of trophies—at present held by the club—to each of the proposed converted sections. The L.D.C. would be liquidated as at December 31, 1937.

There is a lot to be said for both sides and no doubt all views will be thoroughly ventilated at the A.G.M.

The Grading List

In the club's grading list this year it comes as no surprise to find Miss Betty Slade, the 15-year-old Ilford girl, promoted to grade one. She won the national women's springboard title and was ninth in the Olympic event at Berlin.

Miss Katalina Larsen, another Olympic representative, is also in the premier grade, as are T. J. Mather, winner of the national graceful championship, and Miss C. E. M. Cozens, queen of the highboard last year and Southern and Middlesex champion this.

MACKENZIE WINS GOLF TITLE
FROM A. E. LISSAMAN

Playing at Fanning yesterday, A. K. Mackenzie beat A. E. Lissaman in the Fanning Golf Club Championship match at the 40th hole.

ARGONAUTAS MAMAK
HOCKEY WIN

Playing in the Mamak Hockey League yesterday, the Argonautas beat the R.A.O.C. by three goals to nil. The Argonautas scored H. Ozorio (2) and E. Gossano.

SAILING RESULTS

The second championship race for cruisers of the "W" class yesterday was won by Mr. D. McClatchie sailing Cutty and the "C" class event by Sea Lark V sailed by Mr. E. Cock.

right-upright and enter the net. Almost from the restart, a fine movement on the Chinese left wing saw Cheung Moon-wing lift the ball into the Army goalmouth, where Rowlands misjudged the ball, leaving his charge undefended, and Lai Shiu-wing ran in to send the ball into the net. The last minutes of the game were very exciting, the Chinese striving desperately hard for the equaliser, but the final whistle gave the Army victory and the right to meet the Civilians in the Final Round.

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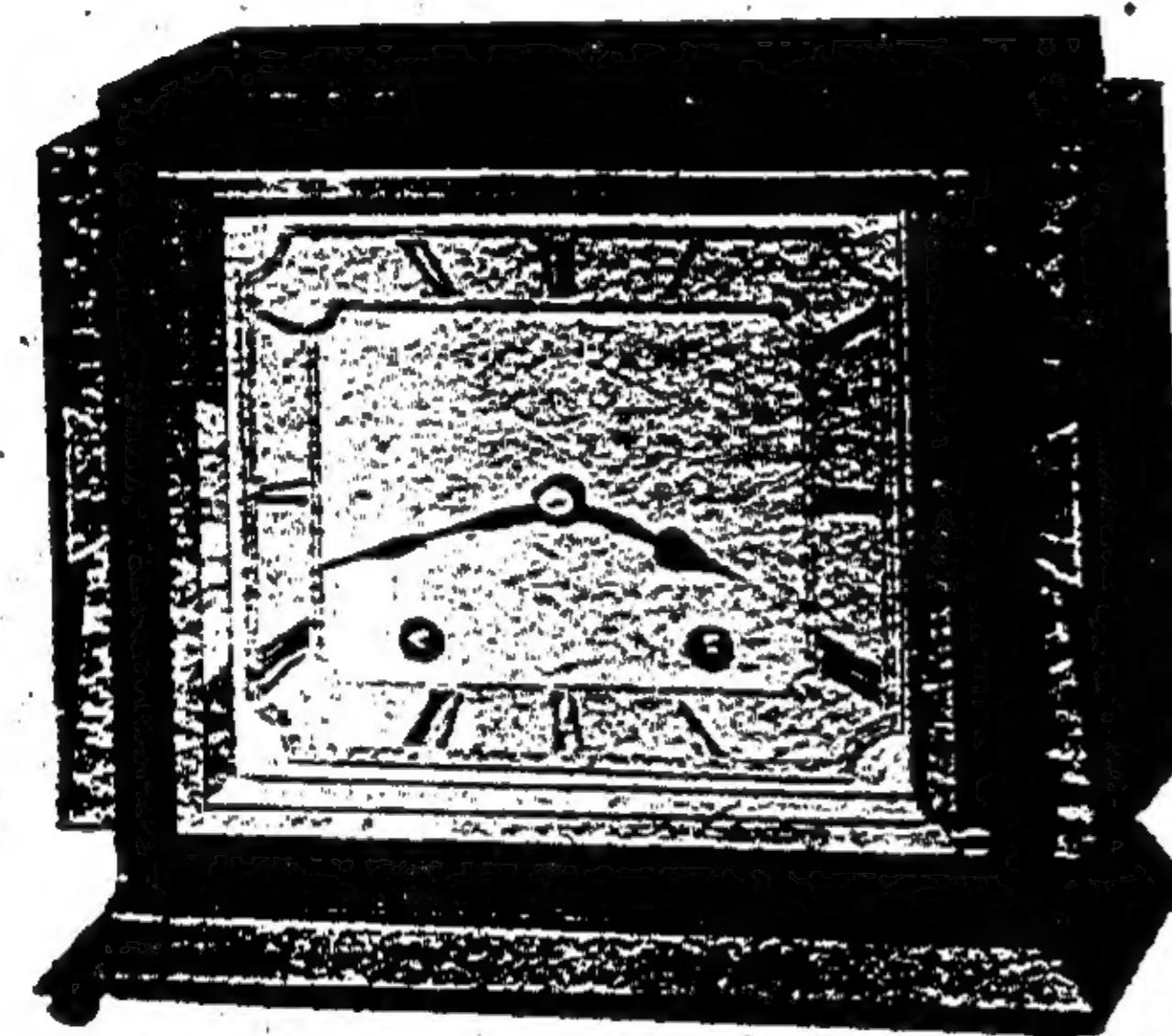
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COST OF LIVING
GOING UPDISCONTENT IN
FRANCE

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day. Despite the stringent measures adopted by the Price Control Commissioner, Parisian housewives are being confronted with a steady increase of the cost of living. It is announced that from to-day the price of milk will be increased from 1.50 francs per bottle to 1.60 francs.

The unauthorised action of many restauranteurs to increase the price of wine has caused much discontent and the authorities have been obliged to issue a warning threatening those who fail to respond to the national appeal. On the other hand the restauranteurs maintain that their profits are so meagre that they must raise the prices in order to make ends meet. —Trans-Ocean Service.

National Roads

No party issues affect the Trunk Roads Bill debated recently in the House of Commons. The Ministry of Transport intends to take over the maintenance and reconstruction of some 4,500 miles of trunk roads at present controlled by 84 County Councils. A uniform system of lighting and a less varied series of widths may be expected by the motorist, who at present does not know, when he makes a long journey on a through route, how many times he must adjust his vision to the differing standards of lighting and road design enjoined by adjacent local authorities.

The bill is a long-overdue reform and has been approved in principle by the County Councils Association as well as the motoring organisations. In its application it is hoped that a little more foresight will be exercised than in some road-designing experiments of recent memory. The construction of a Kingston by-pass which had to be enlarged and extended while it was still new gave an excellent example of the errors and waste which foresight could have prevented. The Ministry of Transport will have the power to equip the main roads with every safety device which the road engineer has evolved. This power should be used without timidity.

LOCAL NEWS
BREVITIES

At the meeting of the Rotary Club to-morrow Bishop Hall will speak on "The Boys' Club."

A small fire broke out in the chimney of No. 15 Caine Road at about 10 a.m. this morning. One appliance from Central Fire Station was quickly on the scene and the outbreak was extinguished without any difficulty.

The late Mrs. Edith Frances Bernard, of No. 61, Highfield Lane, Southampton, who died on July 5 last, left local estate, valued at \$42,300. Permission for the sealing of probate of will has been granted to Mr. Maurice Murray Watson, lawfully attorney.

The late Mr. Allan Keith, of No. 71, Princess Gate, Kensington, Middlesex, who died at Newgate House, Knole Road, Bexhill-on-Sea, Sussex, on September 16 last, left local estate to the value of \$115,700. The application for the sealing of probate of the will, by Mr. Gerald Andrew Leiper, lawfully attorney, has been granted.

Local estate, valued at \$12,100, was left by the late Mr. Augustus Henry Heath of No. 9, Julian Road, "Coulson," Surrey, who died on July 14 last. The application by Mr. Ralph Archibald Watson, lawfully attorney, for the sealing of probate of the will, has been granted.

The C.N.A.C. plane Fukien which arrived here from Shanghai on Saturday brought Messrs. R. Lassell and T. A. Mitchell from Shanghai and Mr. Yiu Hsing-chao from Swatow. Leaving at noon the same day, the Fukien returned to Shanghai with Miss N. A. Tolin, Messrs. T. Y. Chow, G. E. Warren and P. C. Teng. The Kwantung, which arrived later in the afternoon from Shanghai, brought Mr. Ostendorp, Siamese Trade Commissioner for Hong Kong, Mr. Y. H. Mow and Mr. Mok Hing-wing.

SCANDALOUS
AFFAIRGirl Stenographer
ArrestedParis, To-day. Rumours alleging that a scandalous affair occurred recently in the French Foreign Ministry and that arrests had been made in connection with the delivery of war material to Spain is given prominence by the *Action Francaise*.

The journal asserts that a girl stenographer was taken into custody when it was learned she had handled over permits for the exportation of arms to a Czechoslovak national acting on behalf of the Red Spanish Government. The latter has likewise been arrested. The authorities' suspicions were aroused by the expensive mode of living of the arrested stenographer and consequently a trap was set for her. —Trans-Ocean Service.

POLICE RESERVE

Orders For The Current
Week

Orders by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Inspector General of Police.

Indian Company Training Course — Part II. The undermentioned members of the Indian Company will attend Indian Company Headquarters on Tuesday, December 22nd at 17.30 hours for Part II of Training Course:—

Constable R201 S. I. Bux R210

Abdullah Shah,

R213 S. B. Hussain, R216 Lal

Khan, R236 M. S. Dillon,

R207 Fazal Ilahi Oppal, R206

Mohamed. Ali Oppal,

R225 Hasm Ali, R226 A. R.

Bazzack and R233 Jaffer Mohamed.

Flying Squad

Commandant, Crown Sergeant R233 A. W. Mooney is commanded by the Inspector General of Police for the conscientious manner in which he performed his special duties during Safety First Week.

(Sgt.) C. CHAMPKIN,

D. S. P. (R.)

Hong Kong, Monday, December 21st 1936.

WEATHER REPORT

The anti-cyclone remains over China unchanged. The depression is moving westwards to the south of Mindanao. The local forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning, is north and north-east winds; fresh; fair.

That these most spectacular and mobile armaments of modern economic warfare should be used

against one another in a contest.

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U.S. GOLD AGAIN IN
USE TO STABILISE
EXCHANGECO-OPERATION WITH
BRITAIN AND FRANCE
REGULATION OF NATIONAL FUNDS

(By Elliott V. Bell)

FIVE years of guerrilla warfare of currency depreciation now seems unthinkable. Since the agreement they are to be employed in the hasty-burly of the international money market, bludgeoning back the unsocial raids of the speculator or stemming the disorderly rushes of frightened capital leaving one country to seek refuge in another.

Under the old gold standard there was no need for equalisation funds. Since every currency was worth so much gold, such was convertible into the other at a fixed price called its gold parity, and it was never possible for them to vary more than about one-half of 1 per cent from those gold parities without being automatically brought back into line through the international shipment of gold.

When Britain suspended the gold standard on Sept. 21, 1931, this automatic control of exchange values was broken. The pound sterling became an irredeemable paper currency, governed only by the law of supply and demand.

British Example Copied

It was in an effort to protect her interests in a depreciated currency, while at the same time seeking to guard against disturbing fluctuations in the exchange, that Britain, in April, 1932, established her exchange equalisation fund, which has served as a model for the funds subsequently established by other nations.

Funds Total Five Billions

There are Britain's Exchange Equalisation Account of about \$2,000,000,000, our own stabilisation fund of like amount, the new French fund of somewhat under \$500,000,000, a new Swiss fund reported to be about \$133,000,000, a new Netherlands fund of about \$159,000,000 and others of undisclosed amounts; the aggregate is possibly \$5,000,000,000.

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley

WAS KNOCKED OVER BY A WAVE AND CAME UP
WITH A GOLD RING ON HIS FINGER!

See

Wah Yan College Prize Day

Exams Criticised In Annual Report

APPEAL TO PARENTS FOR CO-OPERATION

The annual distribution of prizes of the Wah Yan College took place this morning when Mr. Li Sing Kin distributed the awards. A very interesting entertainment was provided by the pupils, including selections by the College orchestra, a Chinese play without words and The Trial of Antonio, adapted from Shakespeare's "The Merchant of Venice."

The annual report, presented by the Rev. D. Donnelly, S.J., gave a comprehensive review of the year's work in the course of which he made reference to the School Certificate Examination and made certain suggestions for alterations regarding the subjects and the manner in which the examination is carried out.

Annual Report

In presenting his report, the Prefect of Studies, Rev. D. Donnelly, S.J., said:

Very Reverend Father Rector, Rev. Fathers, Ladies and Gentlemen: "It is a thought beloved of poets and sages that *geniata*, the most amazing phenomenon in nature, is hidden and unobtrusive. The sower goes forth to sow his seed, and having sown it goes his way; and the seed strikes and pushes upward, steadily, secretly, till the golden flush of harvest spreads across the fields. The schoolboy wends his way day after day to the class-room; no human eye can detect the living processes of growth within his frame; yet as the years pass, the fingers that grasp his basket change, silently, quietly, from the little fingers of childhood to the strong hand of youth."

"Such, too, is the story of the life and growth of a school. As week after week passes, and the monotonous, humdrum, precious work goes on, one sees day by day little of change or of improvement. Yet the life and growth are there, strong, pulsating, fruitful; and when one looks backward from some vantage-point over a longer period of school activity, it is easy to see and to appreciate the results achieved.

"Such a vantage-point is this Annual Report of the Prefect of Studies. It is meant to provide at once a summary of the work done during the year that has passed, and a statement of our hopes and aspirations for the year to come.

"Our last Prize Day, the most ambitious and successful in the history of the school, was held on December 21, 1935, in the Queen's Theatre. The theatre was packed to overflowing, and the large audience followed with keen interest the musical and dramatic items provided. A Chinese and an English play were presented, the latter an adaptation of Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar*; both plays were excellently acted and produced. The prizes were given away by the Director of Education, Mr. G. E. Sayer.

Nine Hundred Boys

The College now counts an enrolment of just 900; a slight increase on last year's figures. It was not our original intention to increase our numbers this year; indeed, by cutting out two classes, 1B and 2C, we had made provision for a smaller school. The increase is due to two factors, both somewhat unexpected: first, the big demand for admission to the newly-formed Commercial classes, and second, the excellent quality of the new boys applying for admission.

The Commercial classes, which were started last January with the consent of the Board of Education, seem definitely very promising. The boys admitted to the Commercial side this year were Class 3 boys, who were aiming definitely at a Commercial career. These boys are not, of course, our most brilliant scholars, though there are a number of very clever boys amongst them. But we do feel that these boys are learning a great deal in the Commercial classes, quite as much as they are capable of absorbing. They are being genuinely educated along useful lines. These classes provide for boys who lack the inclination, the talents, or the opportunity to go on for a profession, but who are destined to be, none the less, highly valuable members of society: they enable such lads to complete their education, instead of throwing them half-educated and immature, upon an over-crowded labour market. We feel that these Commercial classes do much good, and hope that we shall be permitted to continue them.

visions, nor entirely to the manner of its publication. Many schools must have been gravely embarrassed by the launching of a far-reaching scheme of this kind in the middle of the summer vacation, when staffs were scattered, and schools had already settled the details of their courses, book-lists, text-books and promotions for the coming year.

"The general principle that school examinations should be organised, set and marked by schoolmasters is definitely sound. Though deprecated by some as an unfortunate but necessary evil, examinations, if carried out on sound lines, can be of great help in education. The new Certificate Examination is, therefore, welcomed. A similar welcome would be accorded to an examination at the end of Class 3, which should lay less stress on English and insist more on Chinese and general educational subjects. This examination should be open to all the schools of the Colony without exception. It would be the goal of many of the smaller schools in Hong Kong, and, if efficiently carried out and controlled, would raise the standard of such schools, and be a guide to parents in the selection of schools for their children. No pupil should be allowed to sit for a higher examination until he had passed the Class 3 test.

Amendment Suggested

"That there would be administrative difficulties in the way of such an examination is obvious; but if they could be overcome, as they are being overcome in the case of Class 2, it would be all for the benefit of education in the Colony.

One provision of the new School Leaving Certificate examination, however, runs so counter to the general theory of education and to the universal practice elsewhere, that one can only conclude that it was inserted inadvertently. If so, it should be deleted quietly and without delay. If not so, then a justification of its insertion should be given.

"The provision relates to optional subjects and reads (General Regulations, no. 6):—"In so far as a subject may be taken alternatively under an obligatory or under the optional group, the Candidate must elect in advance (i.e. on the application for admission to Examination) and must abide by his decision." That is to say, that a candidate, when entering months before for this examination, must decide which of his subjects are to be regarded as obligatory and which as optional; and the optional subjects promptly cease to be of the smallest use to him in his examination.

"This regulation affects only three Groups; and in practice, it will, broadly speaking, affect one Group only, Group 3, the Science and Mathematics group.

"Now, let us consider for a moment this Group 3. To pass in it, a boy must pass in three subjects:—a Science subject, a Mathematical subject, and Arithmetic.

"Optional subjects may, however, be presented to the number of three; and *de facto*, all our boys who go for this examination next year will present, not three scientific and mathematical subjects, but six. Let us take now, as an example, the case of two boys of equal merit, each of whom enters for the same subjects in the coming examination, and each of whom gets exactly the same marks in each subject. They both enter for Physics, Chemistry, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, and Biblical Knowledge.

"This candidate, Yeung Sze Chung, was one of the most brilliant boys who ever passed through Wah Yan. In this examination, he was second in the whole Colony, and was chosen for a Government Scholarship. Before he could enjoy the fruits of his triumph, however, death claimed him for its own. A simple appendicitis operation was followed by tragic suddenness by general septicemia, and within six hours of entering hospital, he was dead. Few boys have ever won to such a degree the affection and esteem of masters and fellow-pupils alike. Few seemed, if one may say it reverently, so fit for Heaven. May he rest in peace!"

"Wah Yan this year was second in the Colony in the School Certificate Examination in the number of passes only King's College, which entered 51 candidates, beat our total of 27.

"In sports too, the fine record of previous years was maintained. In volleyball, our Senior team won the championship of the Hong Kong schools. In basketball, we won the Hong Kong Junior Men's League. In athletics, we were second to St. Joseph's in the Interschool Sports, and first in the combined Land and Water Sports open to Chinese schools. This term we won the championship at the inter-School Aquatic Sports, beating our old friends and rivals St. Joseph's, by one point.

Certificate Examination

"One other matter of interest might be referred to here. It is the School Certificate Examination for Class 2 boys, the details of which were published by the Board of Education at the end of July. With the general principles underlying the new examination all will agree, though the same general approval will not be accorded to certain minor details of its pro-



FRANCO-SOVIET PACT

DENUNCIATION DEMANDED

Paris, To-day. A demand that the Franco-Soviet Pact be denounced was passed unanimously by a huge meeting of the French "Social" (Fascist) Party who also passed a resolution that France should maintain the strictest neutrality regarding Spain and to turn her efforts to the reconstruction of the Stresa Front and the Franco-Italian rapprochement. Reuter.

CHINA FLEET OPEN BOXING TOURNEY

3 Preliminary Bouts Held To-day

Three preliminary round bouts in the China Fleet Open Boxing Championships were decided this afternoon at the China Fleet Club Theatre. They were:—

Welterweights: A. H. McCall (8th D/F) knocked out C.P.O. Ringam (Medway) in the second round.

Lightweights: A. B. Wood (Hermes) beat Sto. Frost (8th D/F) on points.

Bantamweights: A. B. Halsey (8th D/F) beat A. B. Begg (Hermes) on points.

The s.s. *Ranpur* left Singapore for this port last Saturday at 11 p.m., and is expected to arrive here on Thursday at 7 a.m. She is carrying the outward English mails.

Sun: Ngai Ping Kiang.
Class 6A Fung Sim Shit; Yee Shin Wah; Tsang How Leung.
Class 6B Lee Lun Chang; Chan Ying Hin; Kan Kang Por.
Class 6C Tam Koo Chuen; Woo Yiu Chuen; Kwan Nam Kui.
Class 7A Ho San Ming; Lau Shing Chan; Wong Shui Chuen.
Class 7B Lai Shui Chee; Tsui Sui Kee; Lo Wing Cheuk.
Class 8A To Cho Wai; Lui Chan Kwan; Chan Kai Tong.
Class 8B Leung Kwok Wing; Ng Sun Cheung; Yam Wah Fuk.
Class 8C Fok Tsoi Fai; Paul Chan; Peter Tse.

Scholarships
Class 2 Wong Tak Sun
Class 3 Sze Kah Sun
Class 4 Wong Chin Wah
Class 5 Sin Lin Lau
Class 6 Fung Sim Shit
Class 7 Wong Shui Chuen
Class 8 Lui Chan Kwan.
Special Prizes
Religious Knowledge—Gold Medal: Yeung Sze-chung.
English Debate—Gold Medal: Yeung Sze-chung, Silver Medal: John Wong.
Mandarin Debate—Gold Medal: Wong Wing-kit, Silver Medal: Tsui Kee-chung.
Improvement in English Debate: 1. Esther Khutakul; 2. Albert Hui Shiu Chan.
Improvement in Mandarin Debate: 1. Cheung Yan-lin; 2. Wu Chin-sui.

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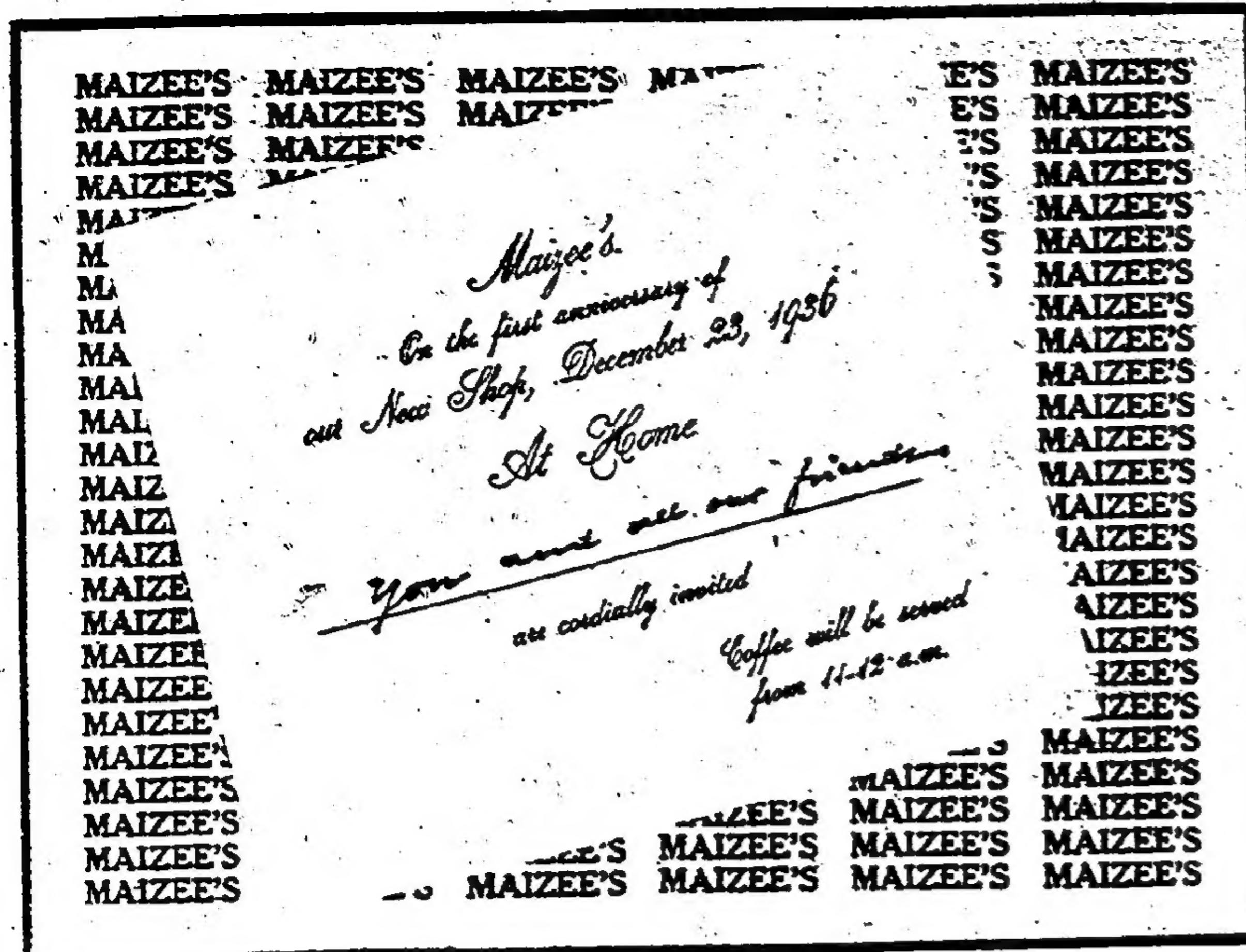
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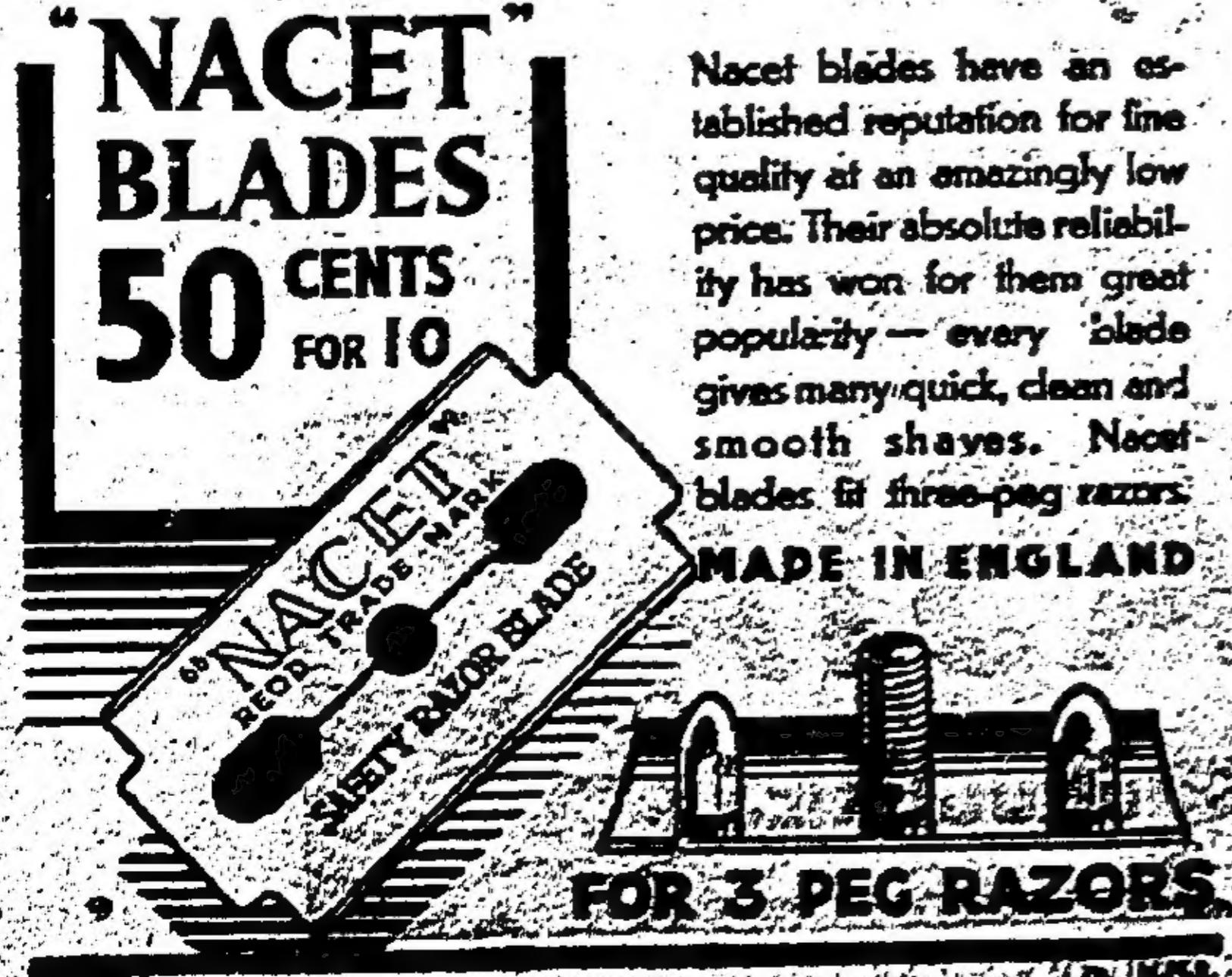
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Mr. V. D. Genaburger, one of the partners of Messrs. S. E. Levy and Company, is due to arrive in the Colony early next week from Manila, where he has been looking after the interests of his firm for some months.

Mr. Pan Koon Tat, a popular member of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, and one of the founder members of the University Alumni Association, has returned to the Colony again after an extended business visit to Canton and up-country.

Mr. E. L. Elias of Messrs. S. E. Levy and Company is spending the Christmas holidays in Shanghai. He leaves for the North on the 23rd inst. but as he will be travelling by plane, he will have plenty of time to prepare for the Christmas Eve festivities in Shanghai.

Mr. A. A. da Roza, a popular member of the Portuguese community, has resigned from his position in the Chartered Bank and is now in the share market.

Miss Amiel Frederick, the secretary of the Consul-General for the United States in Hong Kong, is leaving on transfer for Mexico City by the a.s. Scharnhorst very shortly. Miss Frederick had only just returned to the Colony from Shanghai by air, travelling on one of the C.N.A.C. planes.

Miss M. E. Wilson, who hails from Johannesburg, South Africa, arrived in the Colony on a short visit by the R.M.S. Empress of Asia on Wednesday. She had been visiting Shanghai and the North. While here Miss Wilson will stay at the Gloucester Hotel.

Comte de Caladon, prominent figure in Paris social circles, came to Hong Kong for a short visit during the week after a holiday in Shanghai. He stayed at the Gloucester Hotel but has since returned to Europe.

The many friends of Mr. F. D. Pereira will be glad to learn that he is making good progress from his illness. Mr. Pereira had a breakdown about three weeks ago and it was at first feared that he would be confined to bed for some time. He has, however, been allowed up a few times already and is reported to be "mending very well."

The Ellis Kadocie Indian School held their prize-giving ceremony early in the week when Mr. A. el Arculli, distributed the awards. A very satisfactory review of the year's work was given by the Headmaster, Mr. A. White.

Mrs. R. Langley, the energetic secretary of the St. John Ambulance Brigade and Association, is leaving no stone unturned to make the dance they are holding at the Brigade Headquarters on Tuesday night a big success, and, from what we have been able to gather, a very large attendance is assured.

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Announcements

Cinema Notes From
The Theatres

SECRET INTERLUDE
KING'S THEATRE

Starring an exciting new love team, handsome Robert Taylor and lovely Lorette Young, "Secret Interlude," the new Fox triumph is being acclaimed one of the year's outstanding romantic hits. Taylor's debonair manner and youthful banter complements Miss Young's beauty and wide-eyed appeal perfectly. And, added to the thrilling love story, is suspense, drama and comedy by the irrepressible Patry Kelly. Basil Rathbone is also featured prominently in the supporting cast.

"Secret Interlude," directed by Roy Del Ruth with Raymond Griffith as associate, was written by Gene Markey and William Conselman, based on a play by Cleves Kinhead.

MY AMERICAN WIFE
QUEEN'S THEATRE

Francis Lederer has never been given a better screen role than his current one in the Paramount film romance, "My American Wife," nor has the star ever been provided with a better screen mate than his co-star in the present picture, Ann Sothern.

"My American Wife" is light-footed romance, brought to the screen with a flair which only Lederer and a star of Miss Sothern's type could provide. The story itself, from a Saturday Evening Post feature by Elmer Davis, is refreshingly unique, and the cast lined up behind the principals is unusually capable. Headlining the list is Fred Stone, veteran player who appears as an old Arizona pioneer with a Western contempt for the spangles and airs of foreign nobility. Billie Burke, Ernest Coostard and Grant Mitchell are outstanding among those that follow.

THE NEW ADVENTURES OF
TARZAN—MAJESTIC
THEATRE

December is the season for many fiestas in Guatemala, and one of the gayest is the Fiestas of Guadalupe, according to Major Frank Baker who, during his location trip to Central America as a member of the "New Adventures Of Tarzan" company, has gathered much interesting information about the country.

The most striking feature of the Guadalupe celebration, Major Baker says, is the Devil Dance—not only because of the rhythmic fascination of the dancers' movements, but because of the picturesque costumes they wear. Many of these costumes are elaborate and beautifully made garments of red and blue velvet, lavishly decorated with spangles and embroidery. With these, the dancers wear devil masks with horns. Many of these are hideous but all are cleverly constructed.

The particular Devil Dance which Major Baker saw, took place in the Guatemalan town of San Cristobal, and will be shown in full in this new Edgar Rice Burroughs feature.

TWO IN A CROWD—
ALHAMBRA THEATRE

"Two in a Crowd" is the sort of picture that will give a warm, happy, tinging glow. Laughter and love ripple and sparkle all through this lively Universal offering.

Joan Bennett and Joel McCrea are ideally starred as a mirth-provoking pair of sweethearts in this rollicking screen drama. Joan and Joel, queen and king of romance and comedy, first meet when each of them finds half of a torn thousand dollar bill. This leads to unusual complications when they combine their resources to get a race-horse out of pawn.

The action becomes merrier and madder when Joel walks into the same bank where robbers had earlier stolen some bills, including the one he is trying to change. Humorous situations mount to a thrilling climax, with dizzy detective and a sweepstakes race adding to the fun and excitement.

The supporting cast includes several splendid comedians, among them Henry Armetta, Alison Skipworth, Reginald Denny, Nat Pendleton, Andy Clyde, and Eddie Cook Jr. The picture was directed by Alfred E. Green, one of Hollywood's new.

THE WALKING DEAD—
ORIENTAL THEATRE

"The Walking Dead," a Warner Bros. picture, is said to be the strangest and most unusual mystery thriller ever screened. Boris Karloff has the stellar role, while the brilliant cast includes Ricardo Cortez, Edmund Gwenn, Margaret Churchill, Warren Hull, Barton MacLane and Henry O'Neill.

The picture has as its central theme the bringing back to life of a man who has been electrocuted for murder, but whose innocence of the crime is proved immediately after his execution. The victim of a band of racketeers, who have framed him, the man who was dead walks as in a dream among the living, but with an uncanny instinct, seemingly supernatural, of ferreting out the men who had caused his death.

The theme is hair-raising enough in itself, and the strange occult methods by which the "dead" man proceeds to avenge himself are calculated to freeze the blood and make the flesh quiver.

While the picture is largely one of chills and thrills, it is relieved by comedy elements and a fascinating romance.

THE PRINCESS COMES
ACROSS—STAR THEATRE

Two murders in mid-Atlantic and the high-powered sleuthing of detectives are merely minor incidents in the plot of this picture, which is essentially a romantic comedy, bringing together Fred MacMurray and Carole Lombard for the first time since their smashing success in "Hands Across The Table." In a story perfectly fitted to their type of romance, the pair clinch their positions as to-day's "Number One Screen Sweethearts."

"All action of the story takes place on a trans-Atlantic superliner en route from Le Havre to New York.

An unusually fine supporting cast, led by Alison Skipworth, as a wise-cracking former trouper

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A young geological student took a day off from his studies in Kilfinan, Argyllshire, and went hunting rabbits instead of minerals. Near the mouth of a burrow he saw earth scrapings which interested him.

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Investigations disclosed a rich vein beneath other estate, Kilfinan. It is believed that the vein extends under the neighbouring estate of Balliemore.

Boring operations have now been begun by a London company, and the population of the whole district on the east of Loch Fyne are dreaming of a new prosperity.

"lady-in-waiting" for Princess Olga, and William Frawley, manager for MacMurray's band, backs up the stars. Included are Douglas Dumbrille, Porter Hall, George Barbier, and a score of others.

THE TRAIL OF THE
LONESOME PINE—
CENTRAL THEATRE

A new milestone in the brief but spectacular history of the motion picture is marked by the opening of Walter Wanger's Technicolour production of "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine," which star Sylvia Sidney, Fred MacMurray and Henry Fonda.

"The Trail of the Lonesome Pine" is the first colour picture since "Becky Sharp," and is handled in an entirely different manner. Wanger and his director, Henry Hathaway, have used colour realistically by which they mean that the colours used in settings and costumes are natural; neutral in shade, predominantly grey and browns.

The story of "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine" is ideally suited to this purpose, because most of the action takes place outdoors, the Cumberland Mountain regions, where rival clans battle each other.

Dynamic Love Story
A Real Screen Epic

A powerful and compelling story of a woman's sacrifice for her children will thrill and hold audiences at the Queen's Theatre next Sunday when the motion picture version of Barry Benefield's best-selling novel, "Valiant Is The Word For Carrie" unfolds itself with all the dramatic grandeur of the great novel.

Chosen as the vehicle for the first stellar picture appearance of Gladys George celebrated stage actress, "Valiant Is The Word For Carrie" is a picture which will live long in the minds of those who have seen it. Not only is it a well-told and inspiring story but the excellent performances by every member of its elaborate cast, and the fine production elements which went into it make this film a candidate for top cinematic honours in every department.

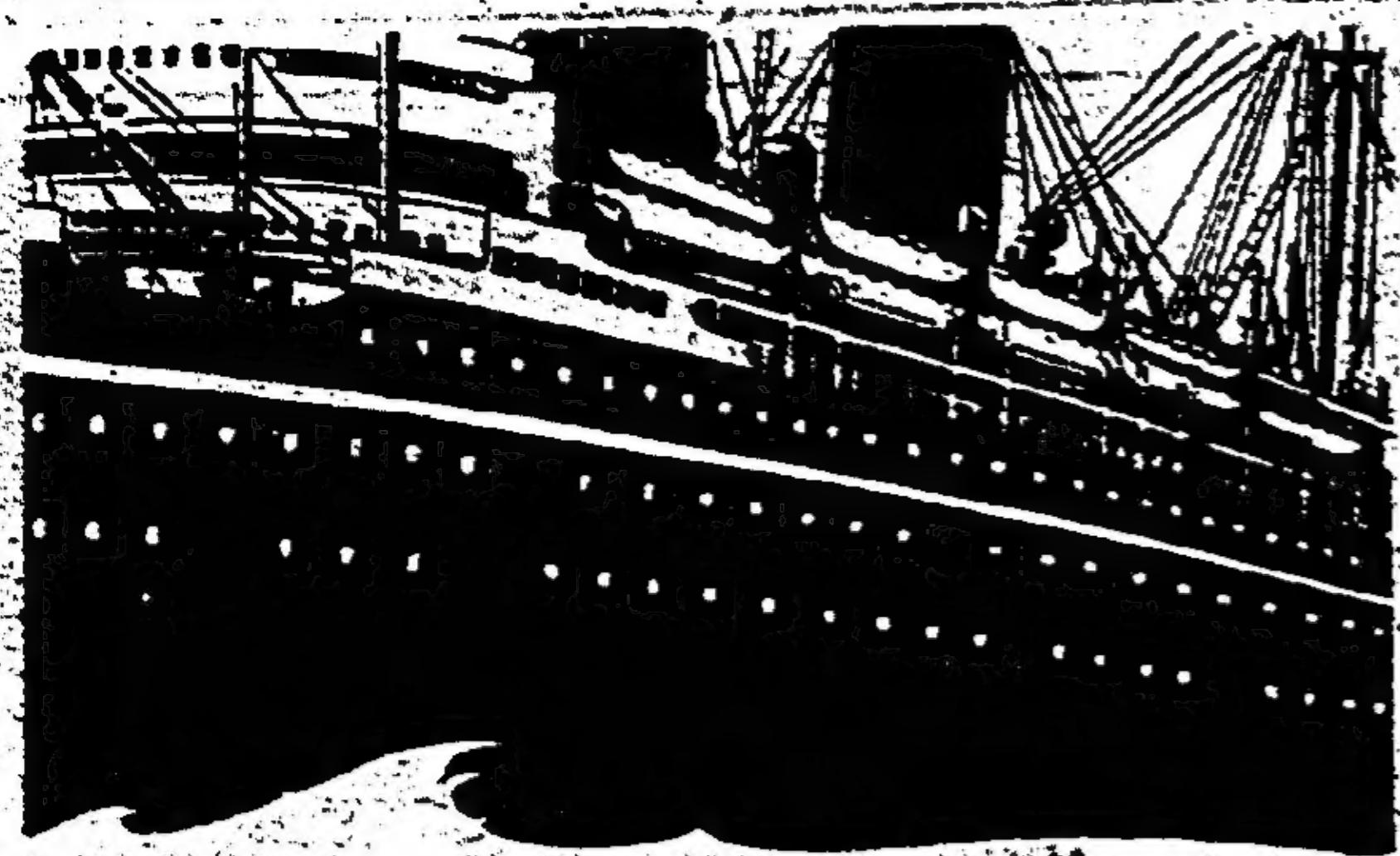
Included in the cast are Arline Judge, John Howard, Harry Carey, Isabel Jewell, Dudley Digges, William Collier, Sr., John Wray and the two charming youngsters, Jackie Moran and Charlene Wyatt.

The story deals with the odd friendship between Carrie, a woman frowned upon by her neighbours — played by Miss George — and a child, Paul Darnley, in the sombre bayou village of Crebillon, Louisiana. Because of this friendship the woman is ordered from the town. Paul's parents die and he runs wild. Carrie hears about him and decides to come to Crebillon to take him away.

Before she arrives a little orphan girl, Lady, played by Charlene Wyatt, escapes from a train wreck and joins Paul. Carrie takes both children back with her to New York. They exert a tremendous influence on her. With the little money she has, she buys a dry-cleaning business. It is tough going for a long time but she keeps the little family together.

The years roll on. Carrie becomes the head of a prosperous business. The boy, now a man, played by John Howard, played for some young men, played by John Howard, played for a long time.

Miss George, established herself in "Valiant Is The Word For Carrie" as an actress of exceptional emotional and dramatic ability. Her first film appearance augurs well for her. The mother role she created in "Valiant Is The Word For Carrie" is one of the finest bits of acting captured by the camera. It will live for a long time.



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KITANO MARU Saturday, 23rd Jan.

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Menethus Dec. 20
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Rio de Janeiro Maru Dec. 20
Comorin 25
Atsuta Maru 27
Toyama Maru 28
Nagato Maru 28
Nankin 30

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

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Suisang 25
Tsushima Maru 25
Bangor 26
Conte Verde 26
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D'Artagnan 26
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Fukien Maru 20
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On View from Monday, 21st December, 1936.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction.

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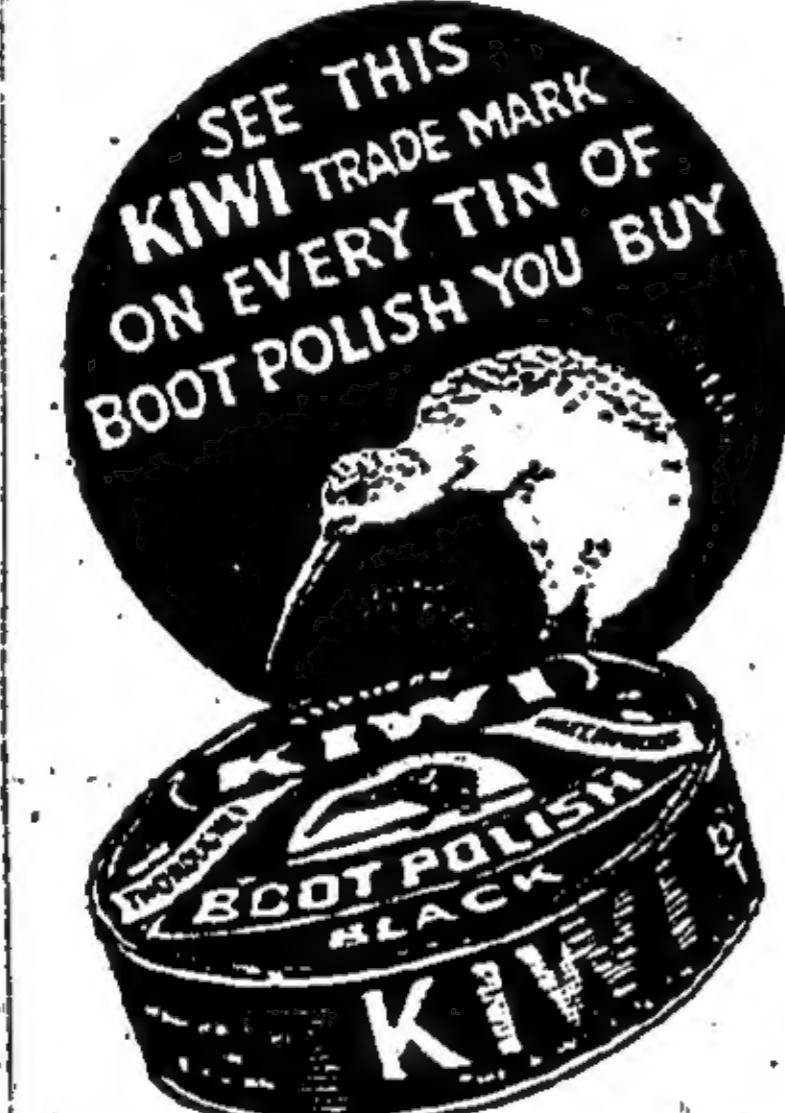
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12.30-2.15 p.m.—European programme.

12.30 p.m.—Concert Items.

1 p.m.—Local: Time, Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragmuffins.

1.20 p.m.—Frances Langford in three songs.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press; Local: Weather forecast, announcements and time.

1.40 p.m.—Variety and dance music.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

5-8 p.m.—European programme.

5 p.m.—Relay—Dance music from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.

6.30 p.m.—Welsh music.

Songs—

Molaw Cymru (Praise of Wales) (Geirionydd & Wyllyd).

William Edwards (Tenor).

My Little Welsh Home (Williams).

Lella Megane (contralto).

Broder Bywyd (The Frailty of Life) (Nantclwyd).

William Edwards (Tenor).

Flutyll Y Llan (The Village Spring) (Osborne Roberts).

Lella Megane (contralto).

Chorus—

March of the Men of Harlech (Welsh Air).

Ar Hyd Y Nos (All through the Night).

Royal Mountain Ash Male Choir.

6.50 p.m.—Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

Selection—

Fairfare—Folk Hits of 1932.

Walz—

Tres Jolie (Waldermeir).

Dreams on the Ocean (Gung-Hi).

The Rosary (Nevin).

Might Lak's Rose (Nevin).

Contrasts—A Pot-pourri of famous melodies.

7.20 p.m.—Three Songs by John McCormick (Tenor).

A Fairy Story by the Fire (Merikanto).

I Met and Angel (Sievier—Morgan).

Shamrock River (Egan—Morgan).

7.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.

7.32 p.m.—London: "The Policeman's Lot," a talk by a Sergeant of the Hong Kong Police Force.

7.47 p.m.—Primo Scala's Accordion Band.

Don't Save Your Smile.

She Came from Alsace Lorraine.

Song of the Lift.

Old Ship O' Mine.

8 p.m.—Local: Time, Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Relay—Ko Shing Theatre (Chinese).

11 p.m.—Close Down.

8.05-11 p.m.—European programme from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles.

11.30 p.m.—Charlie Kunz pianoforte medleys.

North dealer.

Neither side vulnerable.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Playing For Average

Although it may sound absurd on the face of it, quite frequently a player's course of action can be influenced by the ability and the type of game played by another player at another table. This situation occurs in team-of-four matches. Often the Declarer is confronted with two different lines of play and really has no way of deciding which one to adopt.

An experienced player will realize, if the hand is not particularly unusual, that this same hand will be played at the identical contract by a player of the opposing team when the board is played the second time. If the player is not able to get any other indication as to which of two possible plays to choose, he will if he knows the game of his opponent who will sit in the identical seat at the other table, try to imagine which play this other party will adopt and then adopt the same one. This is based on the theory that matches are won not by playing to create unnatural swings but by playing for an average result or to achieve par on each hand.

If you do this throughout a match and never make any mistakes, you are almost certain to come out ahead at the finish— with your margin of victory depending upon the amount of errors the opponents make.

On to-day's hand, which took place in the quarter-final round of the knockout team-of-four event at Asbury Park, the South player reached a grand slam contract and was faced with the aged-old problem of what to do about the missing Queen of trumps. He had absolutely no way of making up his mind, but realised that the member of the other team who would subsequently hold the same hand was one who practically never finessed with nine trumps missing.

Accordingly he played for the drop—and, as it happened, succeeded in capturing the missing Queen.

North dealer.

Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

S. J. 9 7 4

H. A. Q.

D. Q. J. 9 7 2

C. A. 5

WEST

S. Q. 3 S. 6 5

H. 10 5 H. J. 8 7 3

D. 8 5 4 3 D. 10 6

C. 10 8 7 6 3 C. K. Q. 9 4 2

SOUTH

S. A. K. 10 8 2

H. K. 9 6 4 2

D. A. K.

C. J.

The bidding:

North East South West

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3 S. Pass 4 H. Pass

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